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REPUEDY SPACE CENTER, FLORIDA JANUARY 28, 1986; SABOTAGE;

NASA ACT; OO: TAMPA.

THE NASA MISHAP INVESTIGATION BOARD (MIB), THE BOARD WHICH SHANDLING THE LOCAL NASA INQUIRY, HAS RELAYED A REQUEST THROUGH THE NASA SECURITY OFFICE AT KENNEDY SPACE CENTER (KSC), FLORIDA, FOR

COORDINATION OF FBI AND NASA SPIN-OFF INVESTIGATIONS RELATED TO THE

CHALLENGER TRAGEDY. THE NASA SECURITY OFFICE ALSO INDICATED A

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COORDINATED AS FEASIBLE WITH THE NASA SECURITY REPRESENTATIVE AND
INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR THE MAJOR NASA CENTERS.

THE VAST MAJORITY OF THESE MATTERS WILL PROBABLY INITIATE FROM CALLS AND LETTERS FROM THE PUBLIC WITH ALLEGATIONS REGARDING EMPLOYEES INVOLVED IN SOME PHASE OF THE SPACE SHUTTLE PROGRAM OR THE SHUTTLE SUPPORT PROGRAM.

TAMPA ANTICIPATES THAT SIMILAR SPIN-OFF MATTERS WILL BE SUR-FACING IN THE COMING NEEKS AND MONTHS AND WILL NATURALLY OCCUR AT THE MAJOR NASA CENTERS AS WELL AS AT KSC, FLORIDA. FOR THAT REASON, TAMPA HAS FURNISHED INFORMATION COPIES OF THIS COMMUNICATION TO OFFICES COVERING GIVER MAJOR NASA CENTERS.

TAMPA ANTICIPATES COMPLYING WITH THE REQUEST OF THE MISHAP INVESTIGATION BOARD IN THE FOLLOWING MATTER:

THOSE NAMES OF INDIVIDUALS OF INTEREST IN CAPTIONED MATTER

DEVELOPED BY THE FBI WILL BE FURNISHED TO MASA SECURITY FOR PRELIMINARY

CHECKS TO DETERMINE IF ANY ALLEGED APPILIATION OR FORMER APPILIATION

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SECURITY THROUGH THE CONCLUSION OF THE SPECIFIC INQUIRY. THE ONLY
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THE INDIVIDUAL WOULD LIKELY JEOPARDIZE THE IDENTITY OF THE SOURCE.

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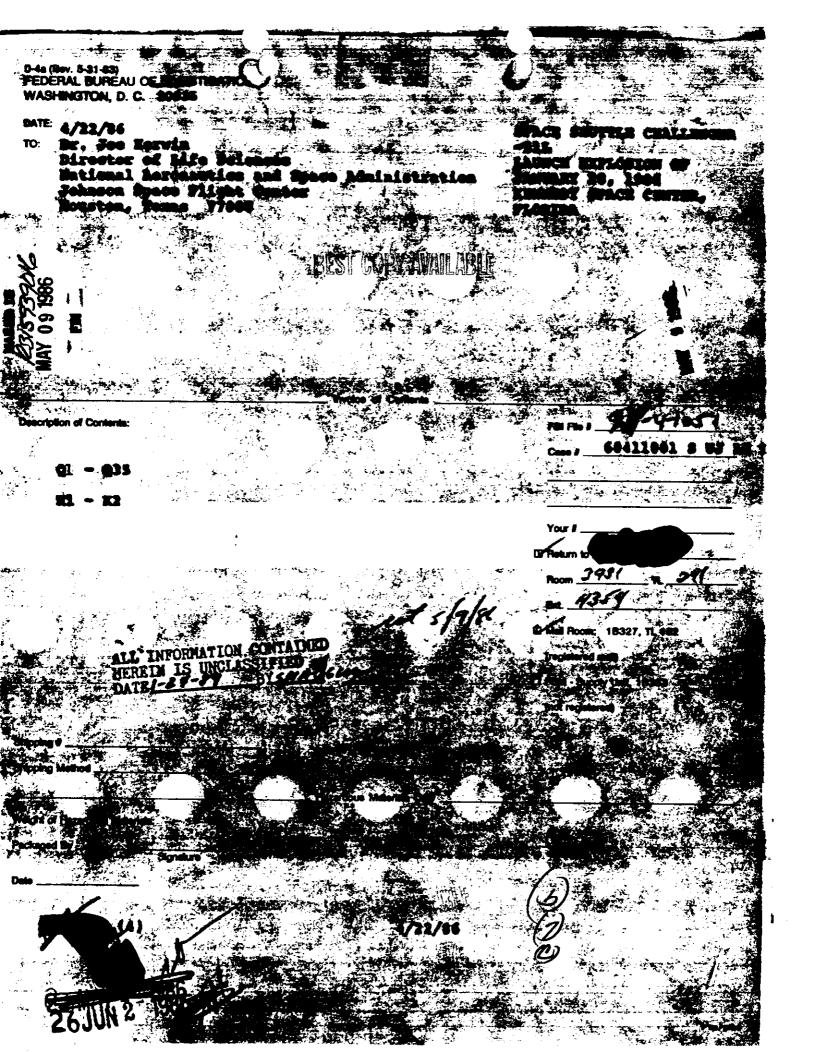
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REQUEST OF THE BUREAU:

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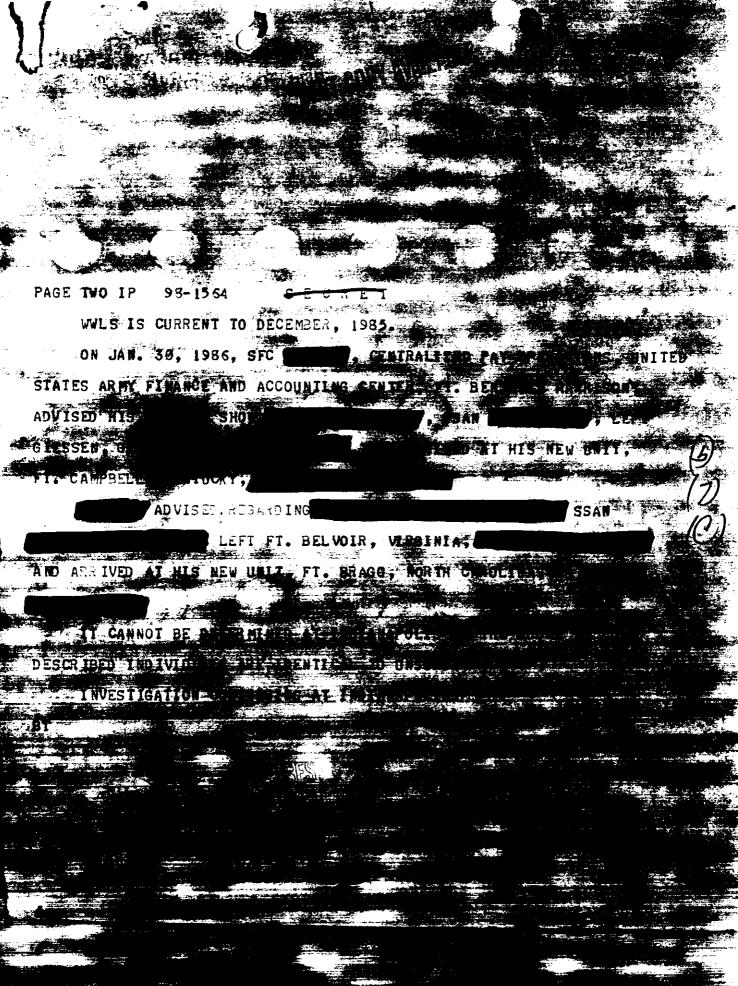
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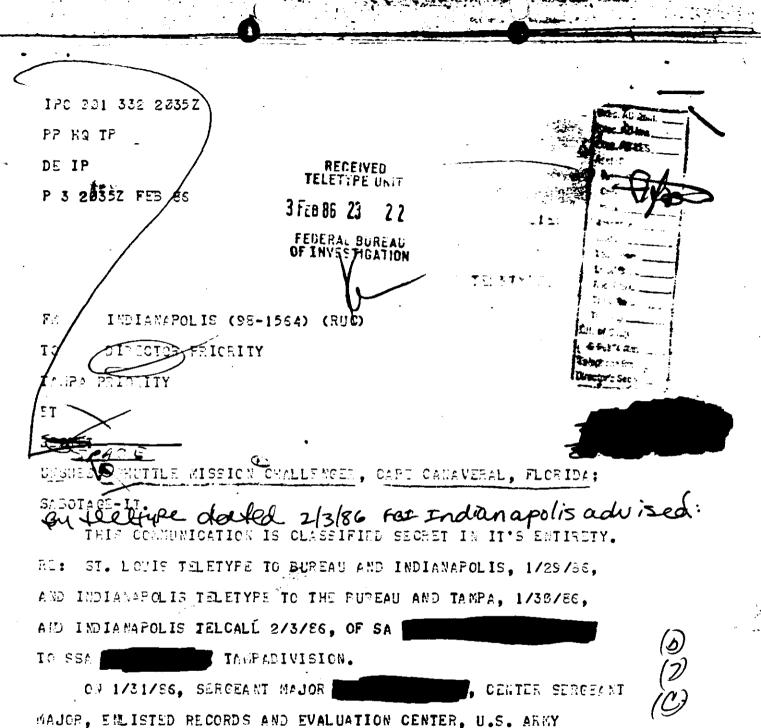
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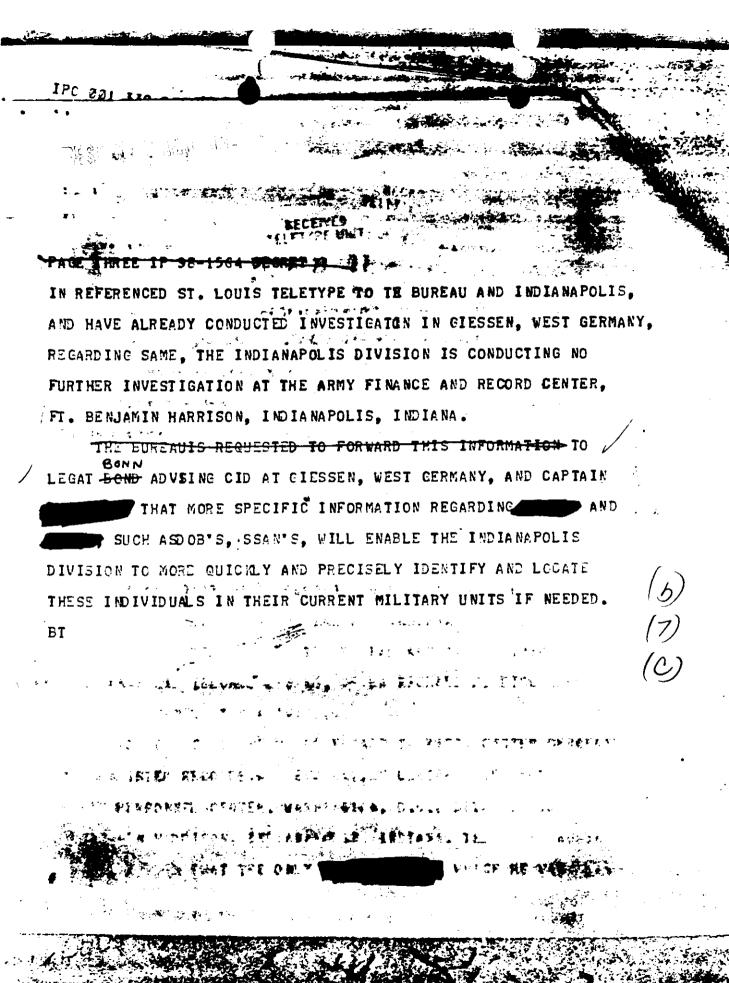
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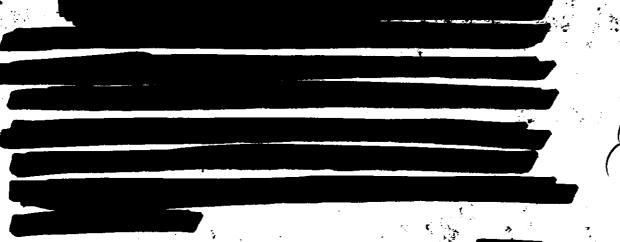
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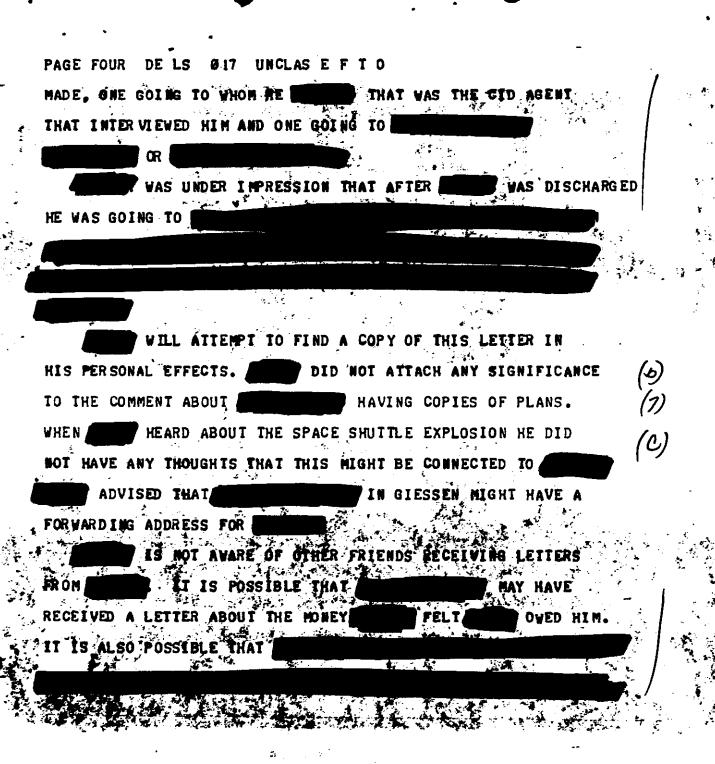
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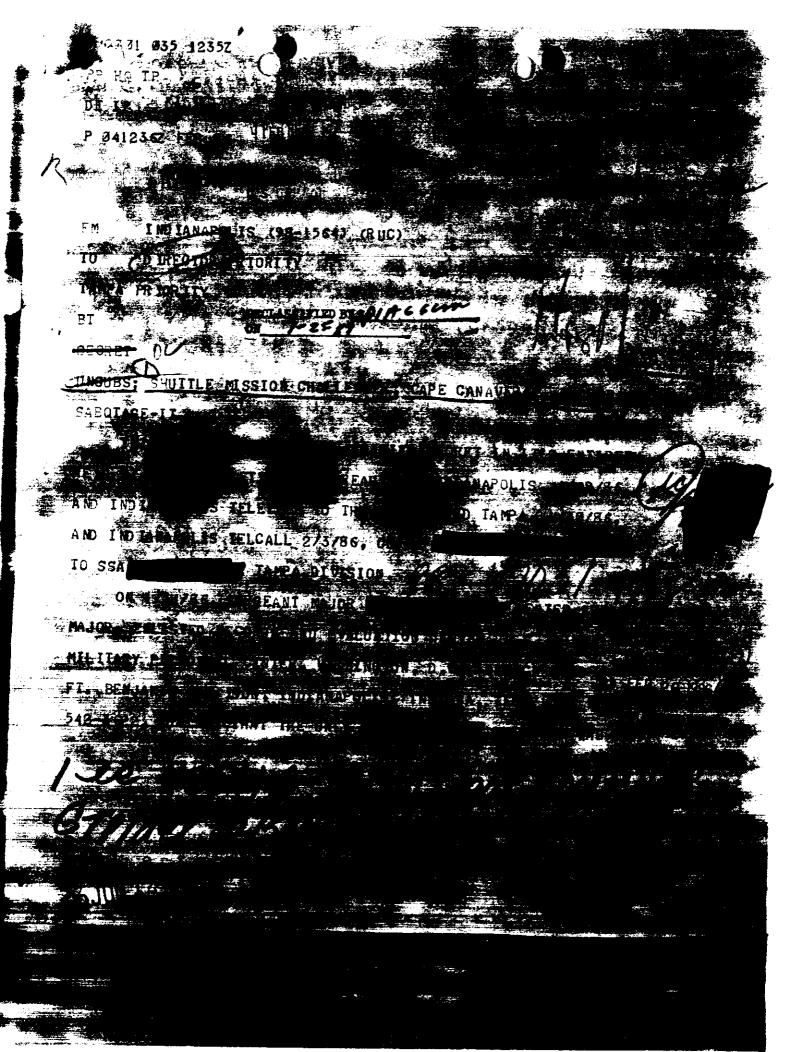
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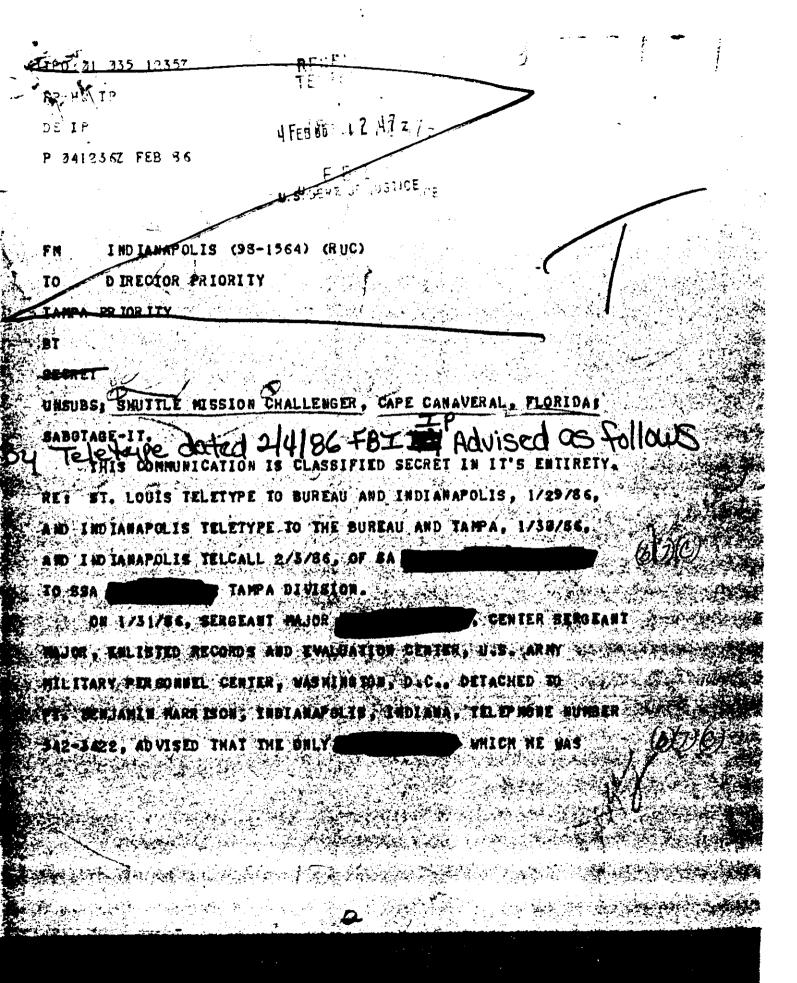
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ENHANCEMENT FIRM. HE ME A VIDEO RECORDING OF THE AECENT SPACE SHUTTLE-EXPLOSION FROM THE CBS EVENING NEWS AND HAS RUN HIS VIDEO ON A COMPUTERIZED ENHANCEMENT MACHINE.

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CONTENTION IS THAT SOMETHING HIT THE ROCKET BOOSTER SUBSEQUENTLY CAUSING THE EXPLOSION. HE WENT ON TO SAY THAT HE IS AWARE THAT NASA HAS THE SAME TYPE OF VIDEO EQUIPMENT OWNED BY HIS EMPLOYER AND IS CAPABLE OF RUNNING THE SAME TESTS THAT HE HAS RUN, BUT HE WANTED TO PASS ON HIS OBSERVATIONS FOR WHAT IT WAS WORTH.

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advised that on 2/23/86 he was introduced to

claims to be in contact with certain psychic forces that provide her with higher information on selected subjects. She refers to these forces as "Source" and when providing information from Source she often speaks in the collective "we". claimed that she had come to Washington, D.C. to provide information concerning the Challenger space shuttle explosion on 1/28/86.

On 2/24/86; was debriefed by concerning the information she wished to reveal. The enclosed audio tape is a record of that entire session and is self explanatory. It should be noted that this session and can be heard making comments and asking questions toward the end of the tape. The following points are emphasized by during the course of the debriefing:

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- (A) The space shuttle explosion was not the result of a technical malfunction. Rather, it was an act of sabotage perpetrated by a terrorist organization.
- (B) There were three saboteurs on the scene at Cape Canaveral. These included two ground crewmen and one of the astronauts who died in the explosion.
- (C) The terrorist organization is a Japanese based fanatical group with an ancestral lineage and a deep seated hatred toward the United States. Its motivation in destroying the shuttle was to embarrass and discredit the United States and to impede the progress of the space program.
- (D) The three saboteurs were all of oriental heritage. They were apparently recruited by the terrorist organization after their employment by NASA.
- (E) The explosion was effected by a device placed inside the external fuel tank of the shuttle. An individual whose description seems to match that of an engineer or technician placed this charge. The charge was triggered by a second saboteur using a hand-held transmitter while standing in the crowds watching the shuttle liftoff. This individual matches the description of a guard or security person.
- (F) The astronaut saboteur chose to die in the explosion as a sort of ritual death or "cleansing".
- (G) The descriptions of the saboteurs provided by are probably complete enough to pinpoint the individuals. Although names and addresses are not available, in the case of the "guard" pinpointed his residence on a 1:24,000 scale topographical map of an area of Florida near Cape Canaveral (enclosed). She also provided a description of his physical appearance as well as his life style. While actual names are difficult for Source to acquire claims she could easily identify the saboteurs from a list of names if NASA could provide one.

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(H) claims that Source's motivation in revealing this information is to assure the United States that its space program is a safe undertaking and that there is no major technical flaw in the shuttle equipment. Further claims that Source is concerned about possible lengthy delays in the progress of the space program that will allow other nations to surge shead appreciated that wreckage of the shuttle will be found within the next several days that will support the sabotage allegation.

advised WFO that although previously unknown to him, appeared to be a rational, intelligent and articulate individual who was sincere in her claims and beliefs. He further stated that is willing to work with any responsible investigative body concerning this matter.

was advised by WFO that the foregoing information would be reported in appropriate Bureau channels in an expeditious manner. He was also encouraged to make the information available to the President's Commission investigating the shuttle explosion contacted the Commission on 2/26/86 and later reported to WFO that the Commission is interested in the information and has requested a full transcript of the audio tape.

Above is provided to the Bureau and the Tampa Division for their information. WFO is not in a position to make any recommendation in this matter. Dissemination of the information to the Commission investigating the shuttle incident is left to Bureau and Tampa Discretion.

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LEARNED THAT THIS SAME INDIVIDUAL IS THE SUBJECT OF A BRAND NEW
CASE, NEW ORLEANS FILE WHICH WAS APPARENTLY BASED ON A
COMMUNICATION FROM BIRMINGHAM. APPARENTLY, ALSO WROTE
A THREATENING LETTER TO MARSHALL SPACE FLIGHT CENTER WHICH PREDICATED
THE BIRMINGHAM COMMUNICATION AND THE NEW ORLEANS INVESTIGATION.
NEW ORLEANS HAS BEEN ALERTED OF TAMPA/NASA KSC INTEREST AND WILL
FURNISH A COPY OF PERTINENT RESULTS TO TAMPA. IT IS ALSO NOTED
THAT THE FORMAT AND CONTENT OF THE LETTER TO NASA AT KSC LEADS
TAMPA TO BELIEVE THAT MAY BE OUT OF TOUCH WITH REALITY.

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NOTES THAT THE FINAL REPORT FROM THE COMMISSION MAY CONTAIN

ALLEGATIONS OF ACTIVITIES WHICH ARE, IN FACT, VIOLATIONS OF THE

NASA ACT, EITHER ON THE PART OF NASA OFFICIALS OR NASA CONTRACTOR

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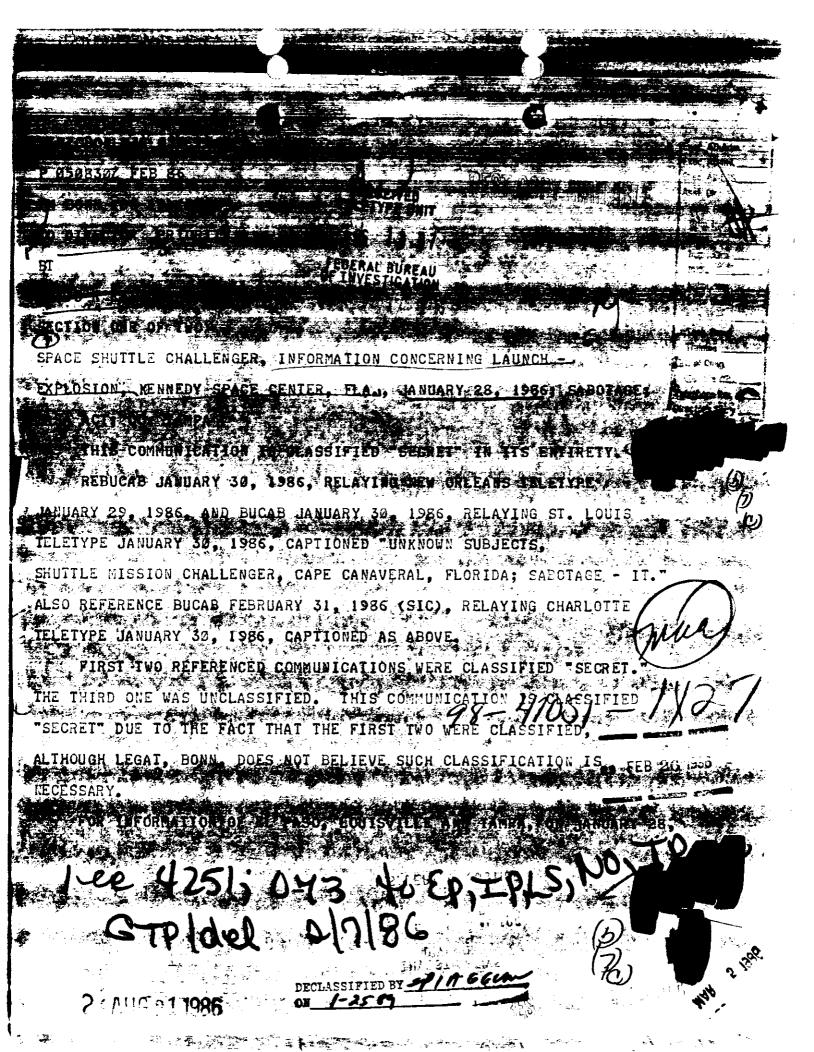
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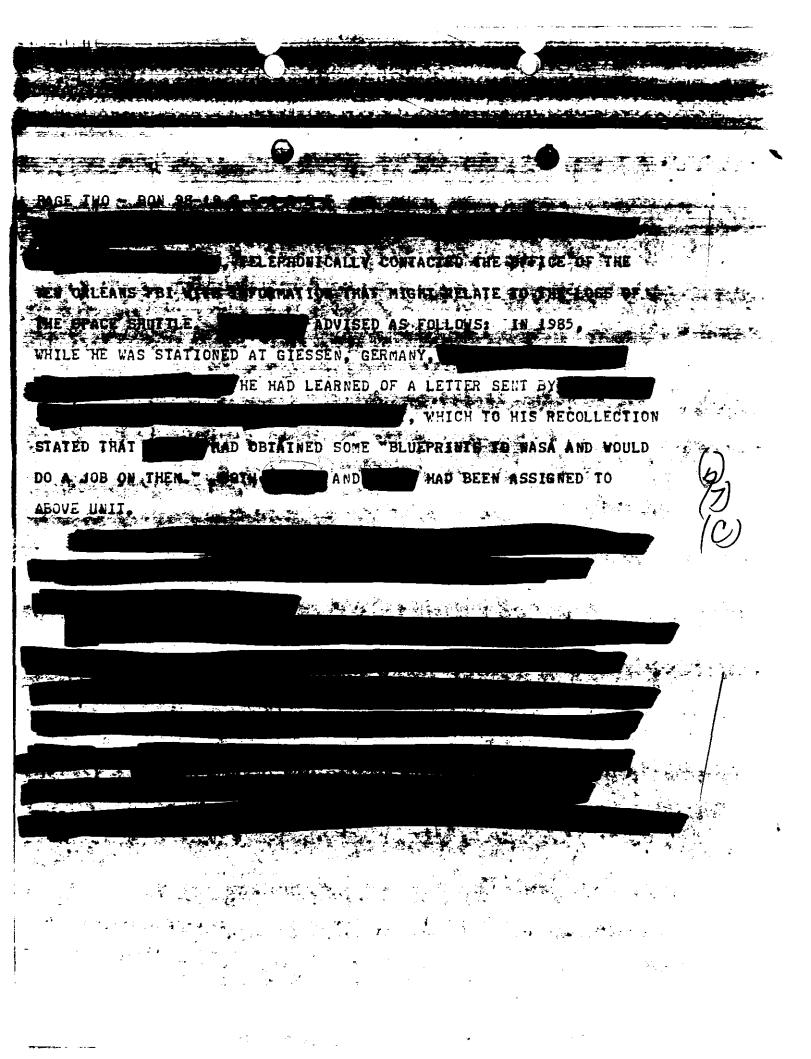
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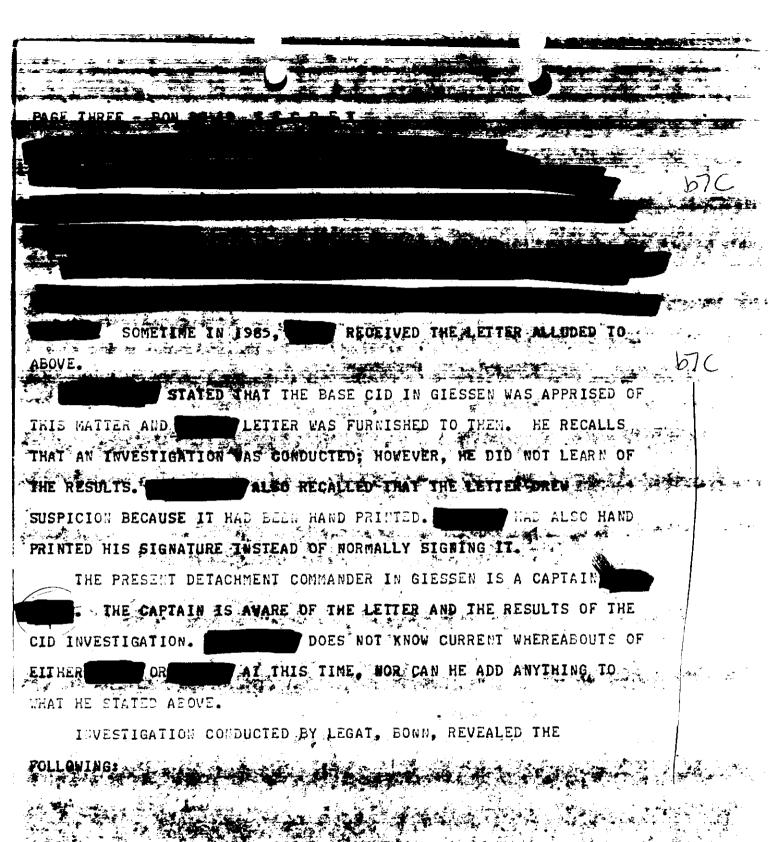
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TAMPA WILL KEEP FBIHQ ADVISED OF ALL DEVELOPMENTS.

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PAGE FIVE BON 98-19 TO PELITUED TO VAUE KEPT THE ORIGINAL. A COUPLE OF PERSONS. INCLUDING STRAIGE, VALUE OF COLUMN ASSESSMENT OF THE PARTY OF THE P CID ADVISED THAT HAD A TTOP SECRET" SECURITY CLEARANCE. HE WAS A SENIOR ASSEMBLER FOR ASSEMBLY OF MUCLEAR COMPONENTS (1.E., HE WORKED ON MISSILES). HE LEFT THE ARMY FEBRUARY 23, 1984. WHEN LEAVING GIESSEN, HE MENTIONED THAT HE WANTED TO OPEN AN ARTS AND THE THE THITTED STATES. HE ALSO STATED THAT HE CRAFT SHOP BACK IN THE UNITED STATES. WOULD TRY TO WORK WITH THE SAME CONSTRUCTION FIRM HE WORKED WITH BEFORE HE JOINED THE ARMY (NOT KNOWN WHAT FIRM THAT WAS). THE FOLLOWING DATA WAS PROVIDED FOR THE BELOW-LISTED INDIVIDUALS: 🛣 📆 B (NOTE: CID MICROFICHE RECORDS SHOW ONLY FIRST THREE LETTERS OF MIDDLE NAME - BORN OCTOBER 27, 1957 SSAV FORWARDING ADDRESS (2) SPEC 4 . BORN JUNE 16. 1964, SSAN

ASSIGNMENT: ALPHA COMPANY, 1ST OF 321ST FIELD ARTILLERY, FT.

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SUPPOSEDLY RECEIVED ONE OR MORE THREATENING TYPE LETTERS FROM

BECAUSE OF MONEY STILL OWED BY HIM TO SUPPLIED, CID ADVISED THAT FORMER GIRLFRIEND HAD LEARNED FROM SGT WIFE

THAT SEVERAL OF FORMER COLLEAGUES HAD RECEIVED LETTERS FROM
HIM (AFTER HE LEFT THE ARMY) URGING THEM TO QUIT THE ARMY AND TO
JOIN HIM IN FLORIDA "RUNNING DRUGS" AND ALSO TO TRAVEL TO SOUTH
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IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE, NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION TO BE CONDUCTED AT BONN.

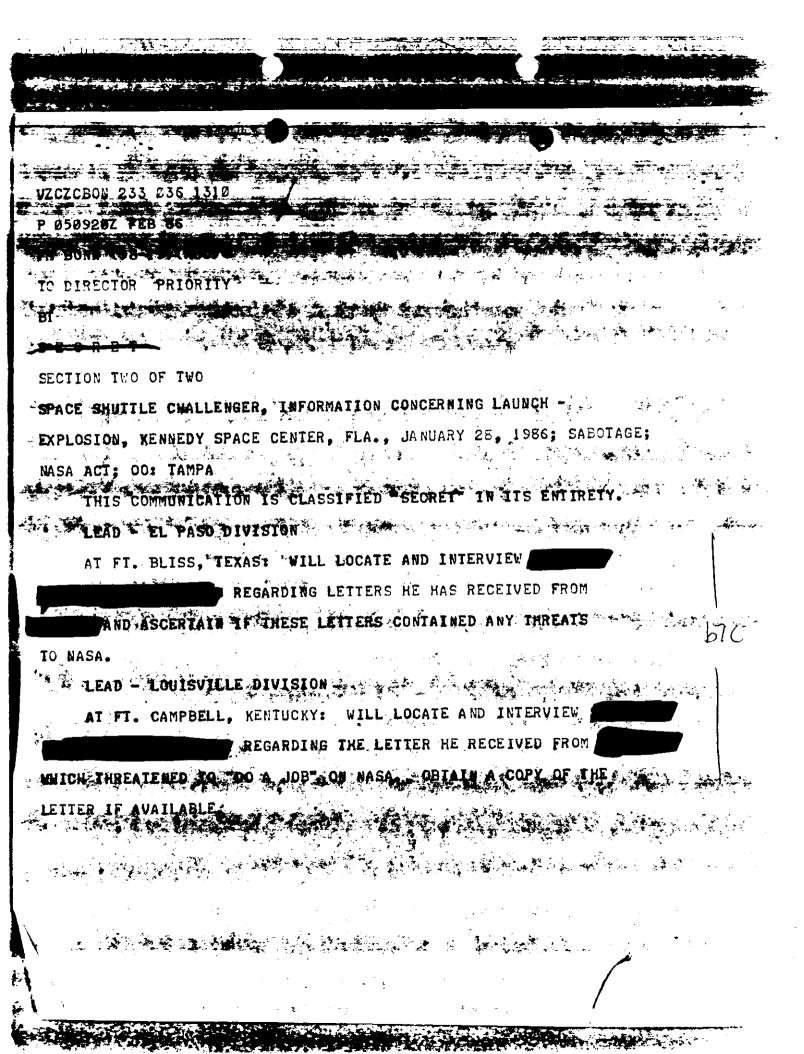
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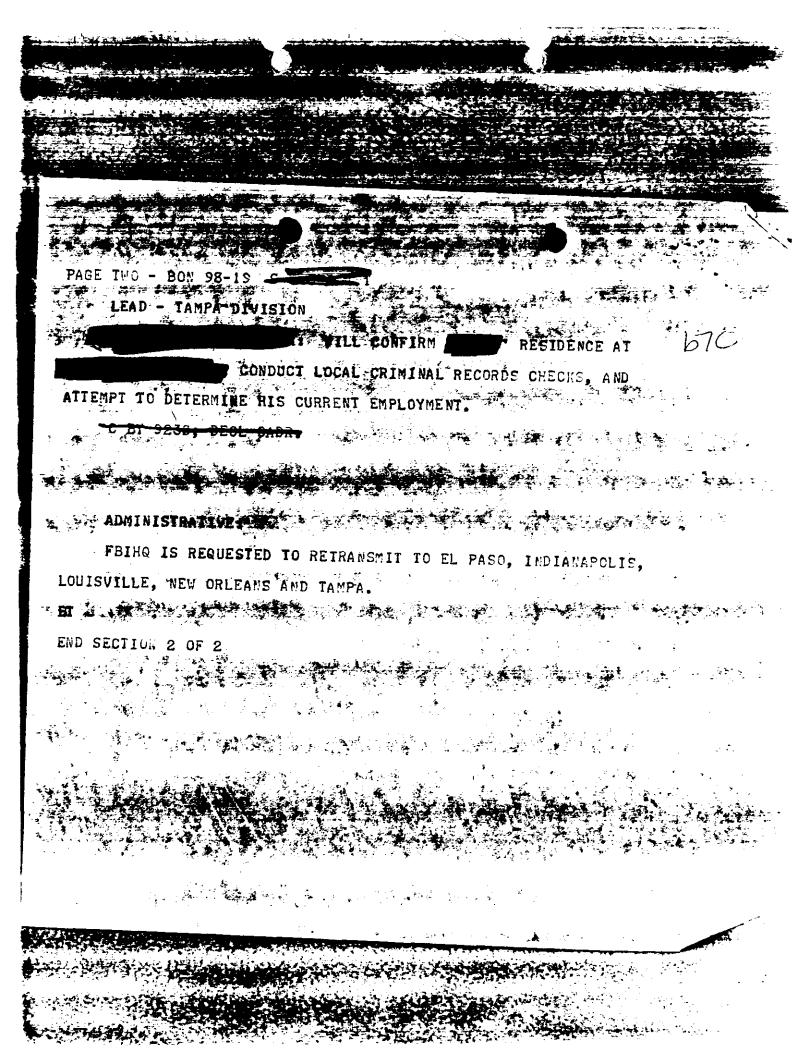
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WILL E CONDUCTED IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE AND WILL BE ALLOWED TO EXPLAIN ALL PERTINENT DETAILS REGARDING THE LETTER IN (3)(7)(c)

ANOTHER AREA OF CURRENT FBI INTEREST CONCERNS ONE , NOT FURTHER IDENTIFIED, . LOUISIANA, WFO WHOTE A THREATENING LETTER TO THE NASA FACILITY AT KENNEDY SPACE CENTER (KSC), FLORIDA. THROUGH CONTACT WITH NEW ORLEANS, TAMPA LEADNED THAT THIS SAME INDIVIDUAL IS THE SUBJECT OF A BRAND NEW WHICH WAS APPARENTLY BASED ON A CASE, NEW ORLEANS FILE COMMUNICATION FROM BIRMINGHAM. APPARENTLY, ALSO WROTE A THREATENING LETTER TO MAPSHALL SPACE FLIGHT CENTER WHICH PREDICATED THE EIPHINGRAN COMMUNICATION AND THE NEW ORLEANS INVESTIGATION. NEW ORLEANS HAS BEEN ALERTED OF TAMPA/NASA KSC INTEREST AND WILL FURNISH A COPY OF PERTINENT RESULTS TO TAMPA. IT IS ALSO NOTED THAT THE FORMAT AND CONTENT OF THE LETTER TO NASA AT KSC LEADS TAMPA TO BELIEVE THAT MAY BE OUT OF TOUCH WITH REALITY.

DAILY LIAISON IS BEING MAINTAINED WITH NASA AT KSC, PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS WILL BE REPORTED TO FBIHO.

IN ANOTHER VEIN, TAMPA HAS NOTED THE DEVELOPMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION HEARINGS REGARDING CAPTIONED MATTER AND

NOTES THAT THE FINAL REPORT FROM THE COMMISSION MAY CONTAIN ALLEGATIONS OF ACTIVITIES WHICH ARE, IN FACT, VIOLATIONS OF THE NASA ACT, EVIPER ON THE PART OF NASA OFFICIALS OR MASA CONTRACTOR OFFICIALS/EMPLOYEES. TAMPA NOTES THAT FBI, TAMPA, WILL PROBABLY NOT PL IN A POSITION TO REVIEW THE COMMISSION REPORT AND CERTAINLY DOES NOT HAVE ACCESS TO THE CONFIDENTIAL FINDINGS OF THE COMMISSION AT THIS TIME.

FRING MAY WISE TO CONSIDER CONFERDING WITH APPROPRIATE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (BOJ) OFFICIALS IN THE NEAR FUTURE IN AN EFFORT TO REACH A GENERAL UNLERSTANDING REGAPDING THE PART TEAT THE BOJ/FET MAY PERSONNELS OF THAT THE BECOME ALLEGATIONS APPEAR IN THE COMMISSION'S FINAL REPORT. IF SUCH ALLEGATIONS DO APPEAR IN THE MEDIA UPON THE INITIAL RELEASE OF THE REPORT, IT WOULD SEEM ADVANTAGEOUS FOR THE FBI/DOJ TO MOVE QUICKLY IN INSTITUTING INITIAL INVESTIGATIVE EFFORTS REGARDING THE POTENTIAL NASA ACT VIOLATIONS.

TAMPA WILL KEEP FBIHQ ADVISED OF ALL DEVELOPMENTS.

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